



WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER

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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2011

NEW MEXICO: February began as a strong cold front moved across the state bringing several inches of snow in the lower terrain and higher amounts in the mountains. Cold arctic air dropped temperatures below zero. Temperatures were 15 to 20 degrees below normal. A vigorous upper level storm system moved into the state the second week from the northwest, bringing snow and colder temperatures. Two disturbances crossed the state, the third week, bringing wind and rain, with snow in the higher elevations of the northwest half of the state. The month ended with temperatures above normal across most of the state. Central New Mexico saw temperatures in the upper thirties to low forties. The southern half of the state had temperatures in the upper forties to mid fifties. Growers were transplanting onions and ground preparation was taking place for chile.

WEATHER SUMMARY

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – FEBRUARY 2011

Station	Temperature			Precipitation ^{1/}		Station	Temperature			Precipitation ^{1/}	
	Mean	Max	Min	Feb	Jan-Feb		Mean	Max	Min	Feb	Jan-Feb
Northwest						Northeast					
Albuquerque	31.5	70	-7	0.04	0.11	Capulin	22.5	69	-24	1.96	2.45
Chama	13.5	53	-26	1.37	1.55	Clayton	31.5	78	-15	0.02	0.12
Farmington	28.5	64	-7	0.18	0.21	Clovis	35.0	78	-8	0.41	0.43
Gallup	18.0	61	-25	0.57	0.78	Las Vegas	19.5	62	-23	0.11	0.26
Grants	21.0	65	-23	0.16	0.16	Moriarty	16.0	66	-34	0.49	0.52
Johnson Ranch	21.0	60	-18	0.00	0.00	Raton	26.0	71	-19	0.18	0.37
Los Alamos	22.5	59	-14	0.03	0.03	Roy	21.5	62	-19	0.30	0.45
Red River	14.0	49	-21	1.39	1.44	Tucumcari	31.0	81	-19	0.26	0.26
Santa Fe	21.5	67	-24	0.03	0.12	Southeast					
Southwest						Alamogordo	29.0	77	-19	0.18	0.18
Animas	39.5	79	0	0.06	0.06	Carlsbad	41.0	86	-4	0.00	0.00
Deming	38.0	77	-1	0.02	0.02	Carrizozo	32.0	72	-8	0.07	0.13
Gran Quivira	29.5	67	-8	0.00	0.00	Las Cruces	37.5	80	-5	0.08	0.08
Quemado	23.0	63	-17	0.07	0.14	Roswell	37.0	82	-8	0.21	0.21
Socorro	32.5	79	-14	0.09	0.16	Ruidoso	20.5	68	-27	0.06	0.07
T or C	36.0	78	-6	0.06	0.06	Tatum	39.5	83	-4	0.22	0.22

^{1/} Precipitation through 2/27/2011. (T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction - All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.